

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 507

Call to Order: SEN. Dan McGee, Chairman, on April 20, 2009 at
10:06 A.M., in Room 350 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dan McGee, Chairman (R)
Rep. Dick Barrett (D)
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Bob Lake (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Sen. Bob Story Jr. (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch
Linda Keim, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: SB 507

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ACTION ON SB 507

Note: Chairman McGee opened by explaining that the purpose of the committee was to discuss the amendment that had been put on it. Sen. Story then explained his position, and the discussion began.

00:00:07 Chairman McGee
 00:00:21 Sen. Story
 00:01:47 Chairman McGee
 00:09:53 Rep. Barrett
 00:10:10 Chairman McGee
 00:10:49 Rep. Cohenour
 00:11:05 Chairman McGee
 00:11:24 Sen. Story
 00:12:29 Rep. Cohenour
 00:12:44 Chairman McGee
 00:12:59 Jeff Martin
 00:13:49 Chairman McGee
 00:14:10 Rep. Barrett
 00:14:55 Chairman McGee
 00:15:06 Jeff Martin
 00:15:34 Rep. Stahl
 00:16:52 Rep. Lake
 00:17:31 Rep. Stahl
 00:17:46 Rep. Barrett
 00:18:01 Chairman McGee
 00:18:15 Rep. Barrett
 00:18:19 Rep. Cohenour
 00:18:34 Jeff Martin
 00:19:02 Sen. Story
 00:19:47 Rep. Stahl
 00:20:04 Jeff Martin
 00:20:08 Rep. Stahl
 00:20:14 Jeff Martin
 00:20:28 Chairman McGee
 00:20:37 Rep. Stahl
 00:20:47 Chairman McGee
 00:20:50 Sen. Story
 00:21:05 Jeff Martin
 00:21:09 Sen. Story
 00:21:22 Chairman McGee
 00:21:25 Sen. Story
 00:21:34 Krista Lee Evans, Lobbyist, Association of Gallatin
 Agricultural Irrigators
 00:21:42 Sen. Story
 00:21:49 Krista Lee Evans
 00:22:27 Sen. Story
 00:23:19 Rep. Barrett
 00:24:07 Krista Lee Evans

00:25:07 Rep. Stahl
00:26:15 Sen. Story
00:28:05 Rep. Cohenour
00:28:12 Rep. Lake
00:28:25 Chairman McGee
00:28:34 Rep. Lake
00:28:54 Jeff Martin
00:29:16 Chairman McGee
00:31:06 Rep. Stahl
00:31:32 Chairman McGee
00:31:38 Sen. Story
00:32:00 Chairman McGee
00:32:38 Rep. Cohenour

00:32:46 **Motion:** Rep. Cohenour moved **TO AMEND SB 507.**
EXHIBIT(ccs84sb0507a01)

Discussion:

00:33:06 Rep. Barrett

00:33:32 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Barrett moved to **FURTHER AMEND SB 507 BY SEGREGATING ITEM 12** out of the amendments for discussion.

Discussion:

00:33:51 Chairman McGee
00:34:00 Rep. Cohenour

00:34:15 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Cohenour moved to **AGAIN AMEND SB 507 BY SEGREGATING ITEM 1.**

Note: Without objection, both Amendments 1 and 12 were segregated.

00:34:19 Jeff Martin
00:34:26 Chairman McGee

00:34:30 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously 7-0 by roll call vote on Amendments 2-11 and 13-15.

00:35:00 Chairman McGee

Discussion on Segregated Amendments:

00:35:29 Sen. Story
00:35:58 Jeff Martin
00:36:22 Sen. Story

00:36:55 Rep. Stahl
 00:39:28 Rep. Lake
 00:40:07 Jeff Martin
 00:40:12 Sen. Story
 00:40:22 Candace West, Chief Counsel, Department of Natural
 Resources and Conservation
 00:40:40 Sen. Story
 00:41:35 Candace West
 00:43:05 Sen. Story
 00:43:36 Candace West
 00:44:23 Chairman McGee
 00:47:00 Candace West
 00:47:26 Rep. Cohenour
 00:48:13 Candace West
 00:51:13 Sen. Story
 00:51:20 Candace West
 00:52:10 Rep. Cohenour
 00:52:44 Candace West

 00:54:00 Sen. Story left the room.

 00:54:40 Rep. Barrett
 00:55:57 Candace West
 00:57:26 Rep. Barrett
 00:57:32 Chairman McGee
 00:59:57 Candace West
 01:01:16 Chairman McGee
 01:01:24 Rep. Lake
 01:03:11 Sen. Hamlett
 01:04:06 Rep. Cohenour
 01:05:03 Jeff Martin
 01:06:16 Chairman McGee
 01:08:31 Rep. Cohenour
 01:08:39 Chairman McGee
 01:09:33 Jeff Martin
 01:09:43 Rep. Cohenour
 01:09:46 Chairman McGee

 01:10:31 **Motion:** Rep. Cohenour moved **TO CONCEPTUALLY AMEND SB
 507.**

 01:10:50 Chairman McGee
 01:10:55 Jeff Martin

 01:11:28 **Motion:** Rep. Cohenour moved to **FURTHER CONCEPTUALLY
 AMEND SB 507.**
EXHIBIT(ccs84sb0507a02)

01:11:47 Jeff Martin
01:12:01 Chairman McGee
01:12:41 Rep. Lake

Note: Rep. Story was not present during voting.

01:12:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote of members present.

01:13:23 Chairman McGee

01:13:38 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cohenour moved **TO ADOPT (the committee report for) SB 507 AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 6-0 by unanimous vote of those present.

01:14:39 Chairman McGee

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:25 A.M.

Linda Keim, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([ccs84sb0507aad.pdf](#))